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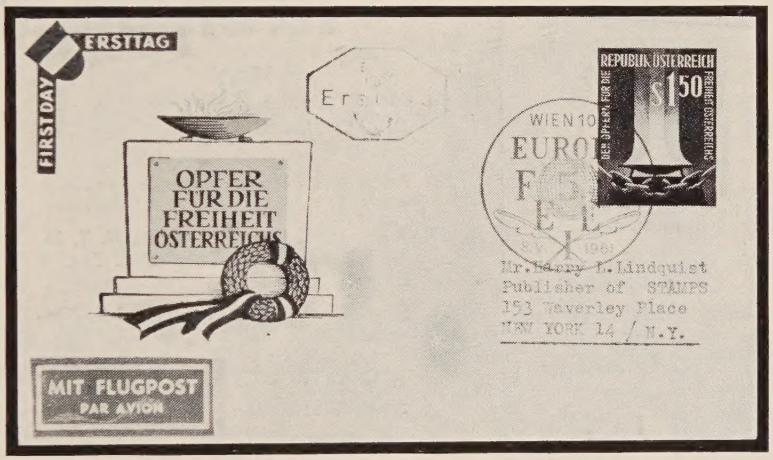

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People-to-People Program Citations to Committee Chairmen

A "CITATION for outstanding Contributions to International Goodwill" was presented to several of the Chairmen of the various groups of *The People-to-People Hobbies Committee, Inc.*, and others have been authorized for presentation as opportunities arise. Several of the recipients are well known in the philatelic field and will be presented to our readers from time to time.

George Miller, who is in charge of the entire group of Nature Studies, has been devoting two full days a week of his time to People-to-People activities since it was started four years ago. He is enthusiastically building up committees devoted to Birds, Trees, Rocks, Minerals, Geology, Fossils, Shells, Insects, Moths and Butterflies, Botany and Mammals and other branches of this wide field, and will welcome correspondence with anyone interested in these subjects. He is prepared to establish contacts for any of our readers with people in foreign countries who have similar interests. His address is *G. F. Miller, P.O. Box* 916, *Upper Montclair, N. J.*, or in care of *People-to-People Hobbies Committee,* 153 *Waverly Place, New York* 14, *N. Y.*

Robert Gomersall, 735 *West* 172*nd St., New York* 32, *N. Y.*, a retired executive of General Motors, has taken charge of all our correspondents in South Africa and Australia, which areas he had organized for General Motors. Through his many contacts he has been able to do a magnificent job. He made a special trip to Johannesburg last year during the time of the big stamp exhibition there and was able to accomplish a lot in the interests of the program. He is now considering an invitation to visit New Zealand. He has also assisted the program in other parts of the world where his experience was useful. He is much in demand as a stamp adviser and for stamp club organization on which he has recently issued a small brochure. He also can be reached at the People-to-People office as well as at the address given.

Thousands of readers of STAMPS, members of the N.F.S.C., and other stamp publications and organizations are participating in this great Program for friendship and understanding and we believe will be interested in knowing the chairmen who are spreading its influence throughout the world. A folder on the Program, with an application to participate, will be sent free upon request.

Stamp Club Organized at Sloane House Y.M.C.A. in New York City

ON Monday, March 20, 1961, the William Sloane House Y.M.C.A. at 356 West 34th Street, New York, N. Y., launched a new stamp club on an experimental basis, with *Herman Herst, Jr.*, as the first speaker. His topic, "The Essence of Stamp Collecting," attracted a good audience and the Club was off to a fine start.

The writer addressed the group on May 15 on the general subject "Trends in Philately," and selected

(Photos by Bill Homan, New York)

Two of the men who received the recently inaugurated citation for outstanding contributions to the People-to-People Hobbies Committee, Inc., both of whom incidentally are stamp collectors. Presentations were made recently by H. L. Lindquist, chairman of the P-to-P Hobbies Committee to (in the lefthand picture) Robert Gomersall, who has charge of the South Africa and Australia areas; and (in the picture at the right) George F. Miller, who heads the Hobbies sub-committee on Nature Studies.

Left: B. C. Gupta, Calcutta stamp enthusiast and artist, presents to Consul General Gordon H. Mattison a picture of Mahatma Gandhi made entirely from Indian stamps. It took Mr. Gupta the equivalent of thirty working days to accomplish the feat. Mr. Mattison accepted the work of art in the name of the Indo-American Society. Right: Student members of the IAS Calcutta crowd around one of the six tables at which distribution was made of special philatelic souvenirs marking the issuance by the U.S.P.O.D. of stamps honoring Mahatma Gandhi in the Champions of Liberty series. The occasion was marked by a reception given by the U.S. Consul General Gordon H. Mattison on March 10, 1961, at his residence.

pages from his "Demonstration Collection." A final meeting for the season will be held on June 19th.

The general consensus indicated that the experiment was a success and that the club would effectively supplement the camera club of the Sloane House Y.M.C.A. which has been functioning well for some time.

The credit for the success of both groups goes to a volunteer committee of hostesses, headed by *Catherine Caspary,* a prominent topical collector. *Miss Caspary is* chairman and is assisted by *Erma Shaw* and *Virginia Stern,* with the cooperation of *Karl E. Viilu,* Program Director and Asst. Business Secretary of Sloane House Y.M.C.A.

"Salute to France" Evening at the Hotel Taft, New York

ON the evening of May 18, 1961, one of the highlights of the spring social season took place at the Taft Grill in the Hotel Taft, 51st Street and Seventh Avenue, New York, N. Y. The occasion was a spectacular produced by *Air France, Vincent Lopez,* and the *Hotel Taft,* titled "A Salute to France" and "Visit the U. S. A." This was in line with President Kennedy's recently announced policy of interchanging tourists between nations.

It was like spending an evening in France amid French atmosphere, dignitaries, and gayety. The Grill of the Hotel Taft took on the appearance of a Paris bistro, with decorations provided by *Air France* and the *French Government Tourist Office.* The walls were covered with beautiful multicolored posters and French National bunting; and the tables were accented with souvenirs of every description.

Garbed in appropriate costumes, the *Vincent Lopez Orchestra* played French and American dance music for the evening. Festivities highlighted a thirty-minute C.B.S. radio network broadcast of the Vincent Lopez Show. The gala event started at 7 P.M., and climaxed with the C.B.S. network radio show between 8:30 and 9:00 P.M.

The Taft Grill was filled with celebrities and dignitaries, all with a French connotation. It was a ten-

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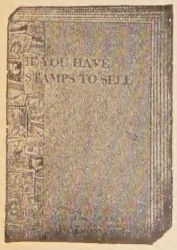

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year dream come true for *Vincent Lopez,* who coined the phrase, "Music is the international language," Lopez, who has starred at the Taft Grill for almost two decades, has long wanted to make it the scene of an international festival. It was a great success, and Mr. Lopez is already planning a series of salutes for the future, in which the *People-to-People Hobbies Committee, Inc.,* will cooperate.

—H. L. Lindquist

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Intermess II Poznan

THE thirtieth international fair at Poznan, Poland, will include a philatelic exhibition known as INTERMESS II. The idea of organiznig philatelic exhibitions in connection with the expositions of Fair cities of Europe was inaugurated at Leipzig in September 1960, where the first INTERMESS philatelic exhibition took place.

A basic principle inspiring the philatelic project, according to information supplied by *Jan Witkowski,* president of the executive committee, was to promote peace and friendship between nations in an atmosphere of common interest. The ever-growing importance of philately as a means to this end is being increasingly recognized.

An international committee was formed in 1960 to investigate the possibilities of making the philatelic exhibition a permanent institution for Fair Cities, and as a

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THROUGH courtesy of *Belmont Faries*, stamp editor of *The Sunday Star*, Washington, D. C., we learn that *Paul J. Plant* has been elected president of the *Washington Philatelic Society*, succeeding *Lt. Col. James T. De Voss*.

Ellery Denison was re-elected first vice pres.; *Svend Yort*, 2nd vice pres.; and *David Pogue*, treas. *Gordon Torrey* was named secretary.

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Horace D. Westbrooks, of Griffin, Georgia, writes that he has been in correspondence with all seven of our astronauts, and has autographed covers from each of them. Mr. Westbrooks encloses a cover dated Oct. 5, 1960, and inscribed with the following by Alan B. Shepard, Jr., the Mercury astronaut: "Carried during simulated orbital flight—Langley Feld, Virginia," and signed by Shepard. He also sends a cover posted at Port Canaveral, May 5, 1961, with a newspaper clipping concerning the successful flight on that day used as a cachet. Mr. Westbrooks advises he has covers for all of the test launchings.

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Wesley Miller, 612 *North Elmer Ave., Sayre, Pennsylvania,* is interested to learn if many stamps with the two-flag variety on the Barbados Peace Issue (1½d) are in the hands of collectors. This was originally reported in the January 11, 1947 issue of STAMPS by G. K. Parris (page 49). Mr. Miller has found the variety in a mint margin block of ten, left pane, the two-flag appearing in the bottom stamp of the second vertical row.

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The American First Day Cover Society reports that its official publication "First Days" was confiscated by the postal authorities at Karl Marx City, in communist East Germany. The member of the Society to whom the magazine was addressed was not allowed to receive it on the basis that it was not sent as a gift.

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Two of our readers, *Peter E. Rentschler* of Hamilton, and *C. Thomas Dinser* of Rossmoyne, Ohio, send us clippings of an article which appeared May 13, 1961, in *The Cincinnati Enquirer,*

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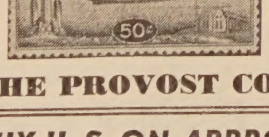

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concerning the Russian stamps honoring the Gagarin alleged space flight. *Victor Kaufman,* a Cincinnati stamp collector, was quoted as having challenged the authenticity of the flight owing to the early appearance of the stamps, which could not be produced in such a short time as ten days after the flight. He admits the stamps could have been prepared in advance of the flight, but questions that the variables, such as weather or other happenstances, would have made it possible for them to be sure Gagarin would make it or be the one to make it. The stamps are of course only one of the big question marks that surround the claims of the Russian space flight, but it is interesting to note another example of how stamps today are becoming a record of our times.

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Anton K. Dekon, of Chicago, submits pages from *The Arab Review* for December 1960, a monthly magazine published by the U.A.R. Welfare Institute, Cairo, Egypt. A center spread and one additional page depicts U.A.R. stamps since 1952 in color. Such issues as the Nationalization of the Suez Canal Co., the Evacuation Agreement, the Proclamation of the United Arab Republic, and various projects such as the first and second five-year plans are pictured.

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A press release dated May 12, 1961, from the *Rev. John E. Kelly,* Director of the National Catholic Welfare Conference, reports that *Francis Cardinal Spellman* has given a 23-volume collection of Papal States stamps and covers to the Cardinal Spellman Philatelic Museum, Inc. at Weston College, Weston, Mass. The Papal States stamps of 1852, 1867, and 1868 are fully covered in the collection. One volume alone contains over 1,000 stamps.

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THE first Annual Competition of the Great Britain Philatelic Society was held at 55, Park Lane, London, on Wednesday, 19th April. The judges were: —*Ewart Gerrish, Esq.*, OB.E., President of The Royal Philatelic Society, London; *Kenneth Chapman, Esq.*, Editor of *Stamp Collecting; Major K. M. Beaumont, C.B.E., D.S.O.*, President of The Great Britain Philatelic Society.

The competition rules required that the entries be judged "on philatelic knowledge and/or research as expressed in presentation" and the number of sheets submitted must be not less than six or more than twelve.

Mr. Gerrish and Mr. Chapman said that each judge had made his assessment of the entries independently of his colleagues and the decision to award the prize to Entry No. 3 was unanimous. This consisted of a research study of the King George V Fourpence typographed stamps printed from Harrison Plate 2, with special reference to the "cracked plate" variety found on Row 19, Stamp 1. It was submitted by *K. G. Rushworth*, the editor of the Society's Journal.

The runner-up was *R. F. Strange*, the Society's Treasurer, who submitted some sheets of George VI cylinder varieties extending over different control periods.

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ON MONDAY May 15th 1961, to mark the 43rd anniversary of the world's first definitive air post stamp, a United States 24c invert was shown on the *Dave Garroway* show. The stamp, which was shown by courtesy of *Nicolas Sanabria Co. Inc.*, had recently been auctioned for $7,250. On the program it was stated that back in 1918 the U. S. had a four-year lead over Russia who did not commence their regular airmail service until 1922. Garroway also said that since the error had a wholesale value of of over $7,000 it probably would retail for $10-$15,000!

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Our thanks to *R. F. Westfall*, secretary of the Janesville, Wisconsin, Stamp Club, for their show cachet depicting a Civil War cachet and Lincoln's visit to Tallman House 100 years ago. Also another issued for the same event, May 6-7, for the Wisconsin Volunteers in the Civil War, and depicting the Union and Confederate flags.

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THE stamp honoring Senator Norris will be of the 4c denomination and in the design pictured here. The likeness of Norris is from a photograph of the Ferdinand Vogel Studios of New York City, and was the Senator's favorite, as well as that of his family; it was made available to the P.O.D. by one of his daughters.

The left background shows a view of the Norris Dam in Muscle Shoals, Alabama, named in honor of Norris for

Design of Senator Norris Stamp

his part in the realization of the Tennessee Valley Authority Act of 1933. An adaptation of a tribute by Franklin D. Roosevelt on Sept. 29, 1932, in Norris's home town appears at the lower left.

The stamp will go on sale July 11, 1961, in Washington, D. C., and collectors may send addressed envelopes along with remittance to cover the cost of stamps to be affixed to *Postmaster, Washington 13, D. C.* Each envelope must be marked in pencil in the upper right corner indicating the number of stamps to be affixed, and an enclosure of medium weight placed in each. Requests for first day covers must be postmarked before midnight July 6, 1961, or they will be returned unserviced.

PLATES ASSIGNED, SENT TO PRESS, AND CANCELLED

Plates for the 4-cent Kansas Statehood Centennial commemorative stamp were sent to press April 10 (26935 and 26936) and April 13, 1961 (Plates 26937 and 26938). Also assigned during that month for possible use in producing this stamp were plates 26943 and 26944.

Other plates sent to press during April involved the 1-cent sheet type; 4-cent coil and booklet, and 4½-cent coil. In a report on the plates sent to press for the first time in March, plates Nos. 26857 and 26881 were listed as going to press March 11, 1961. The Bureau of Engraving and Printing has since advised the Post Office Department that these plates actually went to press March 9, 1961.

Plates assigned during April were for the 4-cent regular postage stamp in sheet and coil form, and for the 10-cent regular in sheet form.

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Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of the World's First International Rocket Mail

By CHARLOTTE N. DOWNS

ON July 2, 1936, the Loyal Service Post No. 37, American Legion, carried out the first international rocket mail in any part of the world. On July 2, 1961, the sponsors of that event will have a commemorative rocket mail at approximately the same spot in McAllen, Texas; and Reynosa, Mexico.

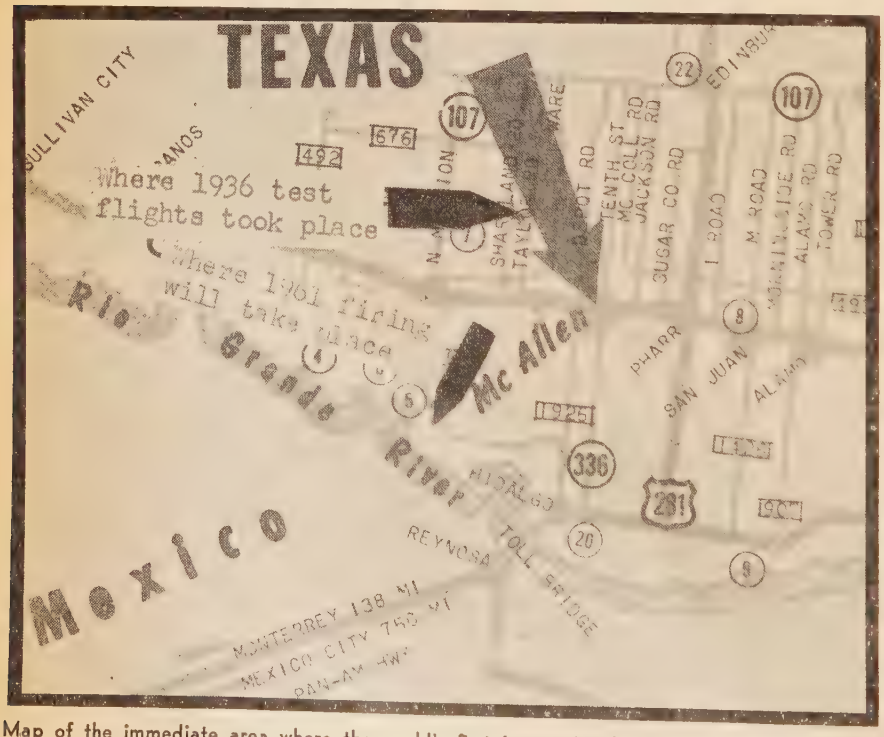
The covers to be carried in the 1961 rockets will have commemorative cachets and specially designed rocket stamps in multicolor. The stamp to be used for the U. S. to Mexico shot will depict a rocket carrying mail to Mexico, and the American Flag in full color; it will have a blue border. The one for the Mexico-U. S. firing will show a rocket carrying mail to the U.S.A., and the Mexican Flag in full color; it will have a red border. Both stamps will depict the McAllen-Reynosa International Friendship Bridge across the Rio Grande which connects the two countries. This bridge, formerly of private ownership, was recently purchased jointly by the two communities (McAllen and Reynosa), and it is expected that the dedication ceremonies will take place in connection with the July 2nd ceremonies of the Loyal Service Post No. 37, A.L.

There is a possibility that Mexico will issue a special stamp for the occasion and furnish a special cancellation, but this is not at present confirmed. In any event, these covers will be even more avidly sought after than those of 1936, some of which did not come to light until twenty years later. This latter is a story of itself which perhaps it is worth repeating here briefly.

The rockets of 1936 were shot across the Rio Grande from a spot near McAllen, Texas to the city of Reynosa, Mexico; and from Reynosa to the American side. One of the rockets zoomed way beyond expectations and struck the U. S. Bar in Reynosa, Mexico. (An illustrated story of this event appeared in our issue of STAMPS for June 23, 1956).

The rocket which hit the Bar was confiscated by Jose Rodriguez, M., Chief of the Mexican Customs Service, but was returned some time later to the Loyal Service Post officials, who placed it unopened in a safety deposit box. In time it was completely forgotten by all of the Post members.

It was not until the spring of 1955 that thought of the rocket and



Map of the immediate area where the world's first international rocket mail took place in 1936, and where the commemorative rocket mail will be sent on July 2, 1961.

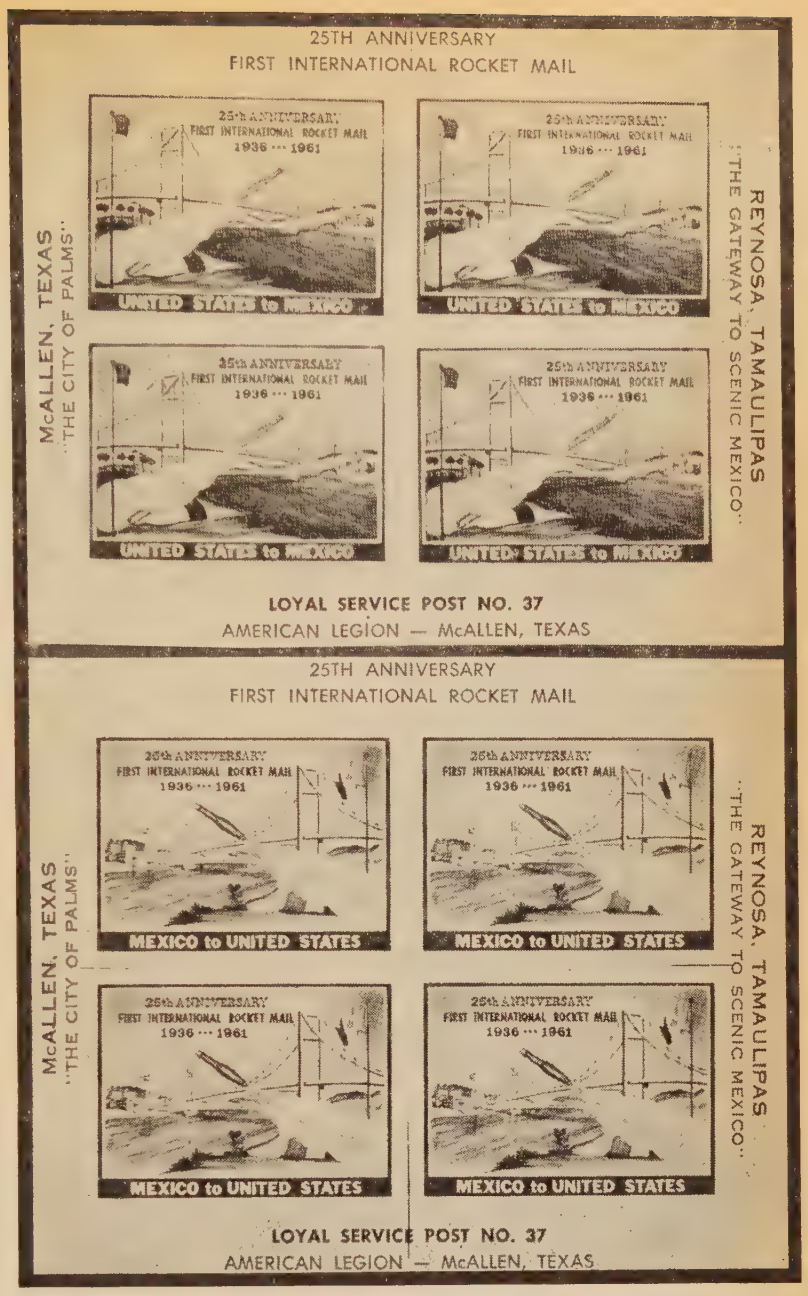
Cachets for the 1961 commemorative rocket flights: at top, U. S.-Mexico; at bottom, Mexico-U. S.

ts contents were brought to mind by *Dr. Max Kronstein,* of New York, editor of the *Rocket Mail Catalogue.* When Dr. Kronstein wrote to the Legion requesting full information as to what had happened to the 1,500 covers that were sent each way in this rocket flight that the incident of the temporarily impounded rocket was recalled. A quest for the 150 covers it contained was stimulated by Dr. Kronstein's inquiry. As a result, the safety deposit box was examined and the jacket containing the covers was found there, wrapped in a piece of paper of Mexican manufacture, and bearing the inscription, "U. S. Bar Tragedy." When this was opened, the original jacket to the main mail compartment of the rocket was found bearing the signature of Jose Rodriguez M. In this jacket were the 150 covers neatly arranged in streamlined fashion just as they had been placed there twenty years earlier.

Because of their historical importance and the interest that had been manifested in them, these covers were returned to Mexico by pre-arrangement with the Mexican postal officials in 1956, and were cancelled at the Reynosa post office on July 2, 1956, franked with the current Mexican 25c air mail stamp. They were offered to collectors by the Loyal Service Legion Post No. 37 at $5.00 each, and were eagerly snapped up. These covers, we might as well add, to forestall inquiries, are no longer available, as all are now in collectors' hands.

The stamps for the commemorative rocket flight to take place July 2, 1961, will be printed in perforated sheets of four stamps with marginal inscriptions. There will be a sheet of four with the U.S.-Mexico rocket stamps, and also a sheet of four with the Mexico-U.S. rocket stamps. Illustrations of these sheets appear with this article, as well as the cachets which will appear on the covers, and a map of the immediate area of the original and the commemorative flights.

The cachet on the covers dispatched from the U.S.A. to Mexico will be printed in various shades of blue; they will bear the blue border multicolor rocket stamp, United States to Mexico, and will be cancelled by the Loyal Service Post Legion officials. After the dispatch by rocket the covers will be taken through the proper channels to the Mexican Post Office at Reynosa, franked with the Mexican air mail stamp, and will be cancelled with the Reynosa cancellation.



Stamps which have been prepared for the 1961 commemorative flights for the world's first international air mail that occurred July 2, 1936. Illustration was made from photo proofs, but the sheets as issued will be perforated. At top, the U. S.-Mexico, and at bottom, the Mexico-U. S. stamp sheets. Singles or pairs will be used on covers, but complete sheets can be purchased unused. See information in accompanying article.

The covers dispatched from Mexico to the U.S.A. will be printed in various shades of red, will bear the red border multicolor rocket stamp, Mexico to the United States, and will be cancelled by Legion officials. After the dispatch by rocket these covers will be taken through the proper channels to the McAllen Post Office, franked with the U. S. air mail stamp, and cancelled with the McAllen postmark.

Accompanying each cover will be a four-page full-color descriptive and informative folder of McAllen, "The City of Palms", and Reynosa, "The Gateway to Scenic Mexico," giving proof of the wonderful feeling of cooperation and friendliness that exists between these border communities. The last page shows a map of the area, indicating the location of the flights; also on this page is a summary of the First International Rocket Mail of 1936.

The people of McAllen and of Reynosa welcome and indeed insist upon the commemoration of the event on the 25th anniversary of this first international rocket flight. They desire to show the world that here are two neighboring communi-

ties working in peaceful harmony for the progress, prosperity, and general welfare of the combined area. This event is again a token use of rocket power for peaceful and commercial purposes.

This commemorative anniversary event of the first international rocket mail will be held as a part of the thirty-third annual July 4th celebration held by the Loyal Service Post No. 37, American Legion, McAllen, Texas. Proper ceremonies will be held, with many officials of both the United States and Mexico participating. It has long been the custom for Reynosa and her citizens to participate with McAllen and her citizens in this gala event, a part of which is always held in the city of Reynosa.

On April 9, 1961, just twenty-five years after the announcement was originally made for the First International Rocket Mail, the story of the forthcoming commemorative event was given to the *McAllen Evening Monitor,* the local radio stations, and the *Associated Press.* The result was that Press reports appeared all over the United States. The account of the proposed commemorative flights was made by Dave Garroway on his television show *Today.* The Valley Radio stations carried the story. Letters began to pour into the Legion Post Adjutant's mail box from Maine to California and from Washington State to Florida, and even from Puerto Rico, asking for information about means of securing the anniversary rocket mail covers. These inquiries continue to flood the Legion Post's mail. In behalf of the overworked Post Adjutant, it is hoped that this article in STAMPS will answer a vast majority of those interested in these covers.

Collectors, or others, desiring to secure covers and rocket stamps of this event may send their orders to *Harvey Horton, Finance Officer, P. O. Box* 1523, *McAllen, Texas.*

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The rocket experimenter for the First International Rocket Mail in 1936 was *Keith Rumbel,* a lad of 15 years at the time of the experiments. *Keith* had been making solid fuel rockets in his home laboratory for some time prior to 1936. In February of that year he made the statement that he could make a rocket that would carry mail across the Rio Grande River. The chance to make good this statement came when the Loyal Service Legion Post of McAllen decided to sponsor the event as a part of the 1936 Fourth of July celebration, hoping to profit thereby and help pay off a part of the debt on their new Legion Hall. In a like manner, incidentally, this year all receipts above expenses will be used by the Legion Post to further their programs of International Friendship and Better Citizenship for the youth of today.

In the spring of 1936 *Keith* pushed his early rocket experiments with solid fuel to the utmost. On June 22 the trial flights with cargo or mail-carrying rockets were made.

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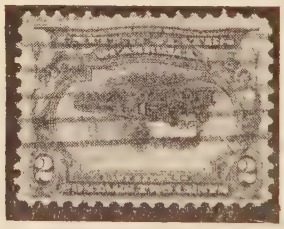

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International Rocket Mail

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Three flights were held, using rockets with and without wings, then streamlining a wingless rocket. These trial flights resulted in the international rockets being able to carry more mail and cover a greater distance. The results are fully related in the book, *First International Rocket Mail,* published in 1958 in a limited edition by the McAllen Legion Post. A very few of these books are still available at $8.00 each postpaid from the Legion Finance Officer whose address is given earlier in this article.

From a youthful rocket experimenter in 1936, *Keith* has progressed until in 1961 he is a vice president of the *Atlantic Research Corporation,* of Alexandria, Virginia, which company was started in 1949 by a classmate of Keith's at *Massachusetts Institute of Technology,* and *Dr. Arch C. Scurlock,* an alumnus of the *University of Illinois* and *Harvard Universtiy, Dr. Arthur W. Sloan.* Keith joined the Company in 1951.

The *Atlantic Research Corporation* has now long been engaged in various research projects pertaining to rocket development. Several years ago one of the *A.R.C.* youthful engineers appeared on the television show, *I've Got a Secret.* In his pocket he had a very small but useful rocket. When the secret was revealed on the television program, this young engineer, *J. Norman Rossen,* pulled the small rocket from his pocket and astounded the panel as well as the audience with a report of its power. A film was then released showing the rocket and demonstrating its great power. The *Atlantic Research Corporation* has been manufacturing these small rockets at full capacity, as this type of rocket is used in many ways in all of the large space rockets.

It is interesting to see how his boyhood interest in and experiments with solid fuel rockets prepared Keith for the time when his work would make such a large contribution to today's space efforts. The Atlantic Research Corporation has been extremely busy producing guidance, control, and atmospheric exploratory rockets, as well as engaging in many scientific research projects. Only last fall it was announced that *Keith Rumbel* and his associate, *Charles B. Henderson,* who works at the Atlantic Research Corporation in its Chemical Engineering Division, had developed the solid fuel used as a propellant, making possible the *Polaris* missile and others in which solid fuels are used. Details of this may be found in the recent book, *Polaris,* pages 31 and 60, published by *Harcourt, Brace and Company,* 750 *Third Avenue, New York* 17, *N. Y.* (Retail price $4.50)

Keith has little time now for "philatelic rockets" but endeavors to advance the scientific use of rocket power in the most efficient manner. He often thinks of his early experiments with his slow-burning solid rocket fuel, which may be compared with the early thirty-foot flights of the airplane in 1903.

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In the observance of the existing policy of periodic withdrawal from sale of commemorative issues one and a half years from date of issue, the following commemorative stamps will be withdrawn on the dates indicated: August 29, 1961, the Palais de Chaillot, issued Feb. 29, 1960; October 11, 1961, Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East, issued April 11, 1960.

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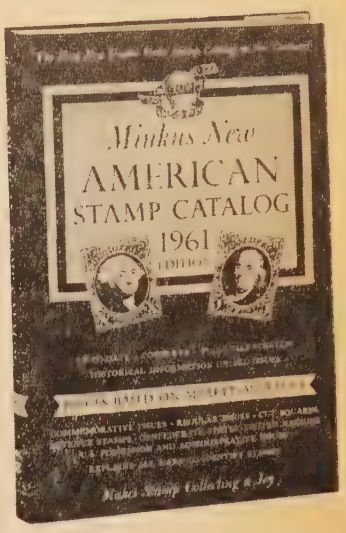

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Kosciuszko Insurrection Stamp of Poland

By EDWARD NOWAK, SR.

THE RATHER large adhesive depicting the Polish uprising against Russia in 1794 is a partial reproduction of the famed "Raclawice Panorama", a painting by Poland's most able artist, *Jan Matejko.* The 40 gr. stamp depicts the assault by Polish peasants on a Russian cannon emplacement on the Raclawice battlefield, and commemorates the 160th anniversary of the Kosciuszko insurrection. The stamp was produced from steel-engraved plates at the State Printing Office in Warsaw, and was placed on sale November 30, 1954. It is Perf. 12½. The designer was *R. Brandt.*

The town of Raclawice is in the County of Wiechow, State of Krakow. The nearest railroad station is fifteen miles distant, on the Warsaw-Krakow viaduct.

Raclawice attained a glowing page in Poland's history due to the victorious battle of April 4, 1794, fought between the meagre forces of Thaddeus Kosciuszko and the Tsar's regular army regiments, supported by several regiments of artillery and cavalry. The bloody battle was won on the Raclawice fields which are bordered by the villages of Marchowice and Wrocimowice.

The Russian Army, composed of 5,000 regular soldiers, thirty-nine cannon artillery detachments and a regiment of mounted Kossacks under command of *Gen. Denisov,* was completely wiped out by a Polish force consisting of one brigade under the leadership of *Madalinski,* two battalions of infantry, and ten antiquated cannon hurriedly taken from the courtyard of the Krakow Castle.

After this historic battle and complete victory Kosciuszko began a march to Krakow and reached the eastern side of the battlefield, but his way was blocked by the second Russian Imperial Army under the command of *Gen. Tomasov.* This impressive Russian force was challenged by Kosciuszko and a second battle developed. This Russian war machine consisted of two battalions of sharpshooters, a battalion of grenadiers, six squadrons of cavalry, a regiment of mounted Kossacks, and a battery of twelve cannon.

The Raclawice battlefield again flowed with Russian blood. In this unbelievable battle untrained Polish farmers and peasants, hidden in the Dziemierzyce Woods, attacked the

The insurrection stamp discussed in accompanying article.

Russian artillery emplacements at the outskirts of Marchowice. For lack of guns or sabres, they struck their scythes upright on the shafts, and under command of *Jan Slaski,* went forward in the face of Russian cannon firing at them point-blank.

Striking at the crucial moment of the battle, the peasant army reached the battery of twelve Russian guns—their scythes taking a terrific toll—and turned the captured cannon against Russian regiments.

Near the town of Marchocic, on a slight elevation, stands a prehistoric mount, surrounded by ancient Linden trees. It dates before the time of recorded Polish history, and its significance is not known; possibly it served religious purposes for early Slavs.

In the center of the Raclawice battlefield another mount was raised by Polish peasants as a memorial to Kosciuszko. It is ten meters high and is visible from Raclawice and the surrounding terrain.

In the park of the Janowiczki township, which borders on the southern part of the Raclawice battleground, there stands an ancient Linden tree. Kosciuszko stood under this tree before the battle; and after victory he stood below it as he decorated several peasant heroes responsible for the capture of the Russian cannon emplacement.

Some relics dug up by the plows of local farmers in 1844 were placed as mementos of the battle in the church in Wrocimowice, a village bordering the Raclawice battlefield.

Leading to Raclawice—from Krakow, through Kocmyszow and Koniusza, and from Slomnik through Prandocin, are the famed "Kosciuszko Pathways" used by Poles who like to hike.

In Raclawice there stands a rococo-style church, erected in 1788. Within it one can view a fifteenth-century carving and some paintings dating back to the seventeenth century. The bell tower itself dates back to the eighteenth century and houses the ancient bells, one of which was cast in 1547.

The valiant actions of the Polish peasantry of that day proved that ordinary scythes, in the grasp of a resolute people, can conquer a well-armed invading oppressor. It was a lesson for then; and for all time it should remain a beacon of hope for the oppressed.

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Covers Received

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Lt. Col. James T. Herbst, Weisbaden, Germany, a German-American Friendship Week (May 2-9, 1961) cover posted on Philatelic Day, May 7, 1961, with the special cancellation for that week, featuring the Freedom Bell, and franked with the George C. Marshall commemoative stamp.

A. H. Christensen, North Hatley, P.Q., Canada, a Royal Philatelic Society of Canada convention cover at North Hatley, May 11-14, 1961.

Carl C. Blood, Independence, Kansas, Columbia Envelope Co., Inc., Melrose Park, Ill. and Mrs. Robert Peart, New Ulm, Minn., for first day covers dated May 10 at Council Grove, Kansas, with the Kansas Statehood commemorative stamp.

U. S. Notes

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Among the plates canceled during April was 26918 for the 4-cent Lincoln stamp in coil form. In all, there were 162,336 impressions from this plate. It is virtually impossible to secure even portions of of this plate number since the selvedge is trimmed off as the coils are produced.

Also canceled were master plate 26472 for the 15-cent International Airmail stamp, and rotary press plates 26482 (185,983 impressions), 26483 (272,050 impressions), and plates 26502 and 26507 (no impressions) for the same stamp.

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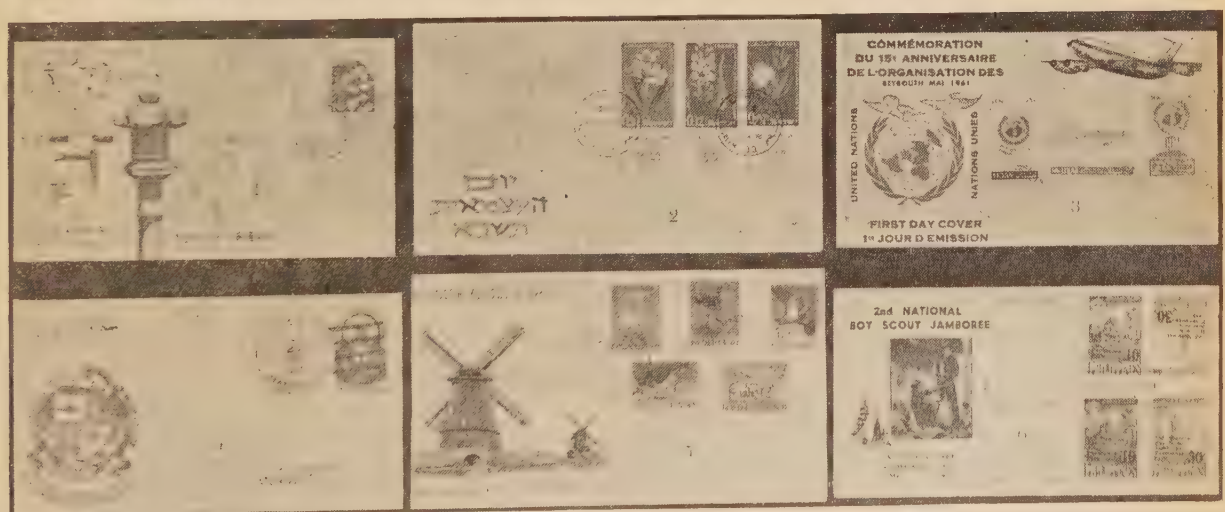

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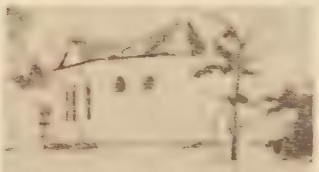

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Watch for SURINAM'S "MAN IN SPACE" issue featuring Cmdr. ALAN B. SHEPARD JR. and Maj. YURI GAGARIN: June 30th

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233-38	[illegible]	(6)	.60	275-80	Refugee	(6)	2.25
239-42	[illegible]	(4)	3.60	281-85	Pope Pius X	[illegible]	[illegible]
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Baltimore Philatelic Society Buying Own Home

THE *Baltimore Philatelist* for May 1961, published by *The Baltimore Philatelic Society*, has an interesting report on their efforts to purchase a permanent home for the Society, and their success in securing at public auction a residence at 1224 N. Calvert Street, Baltimore, Md., on April 25, 1961. The deal is to be consummated on May 25, dependent upon adequate financial support of members, which looked promising as the issue went to press.

The *Baltimore Philatelic Society* was founded in 1889. They hope to hold meetings in the new home before summer is over, and the formal opening is planned for early fall with suitable festivities.

The president and editor of the Journal is *Mark M. Cassidy*, of Severna Park, Md., a man whose clever wit is evident in his editorial in the same issue on explaining to a non-collector just what there is to stamp collecting, and trying to persuade him to take up the hobby. The entire piece is amusingly presented, but containing a lot of practical observation. Just for a sample: "Maybe stamp collecting is like measles—either you get them or you don't. No one ever tries to explain why a person gets the measles, they just take it for granted . . . I hold to the tenet that the urge for collecting stamps springs from some unknown source from within, and no amount of 'brain-washing' will have the slightest effect upon the person who has no wish to collect." So he recommends confining one's efforts to those who show a desire to collect.

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United Nations ECLA Stamp

It had been the intention of the United Nations Postal Administration to issue a stamp commemorating the Economic Commission for Latin America in the 4c and 10c denominations. Owing to the increase in the rate to Latin America recently announced by the U. S. Post Office Department, a corresponding increase is necessary for the U.N.P.A. The 10c value will therefore be altered to 11c; the 4c will remain as originally planned. The combination of the two values will provide for the 15c airmail rate that will obtain for Latin America beginning July 1st, 1961.

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Some Notes on the Norris Commemorative Stamp

IN his column in the Washington *Star* for Sunday, May 14, 1961, *Belmont Faries* gives an outline of the background of Senator George W. Norris, of Nebraska, for whom a commemorative stamp was recently announced, including the following comment: "A Republican who had long fought for public power, especially for farm areas, Senator Norris was the father of the Tennessee Valley Authority and co-author of the Rural Electrification Act, key measures of Franklin D. Roosevelt's Democratic New Deal." Mr. Faries also conjectured that the stamp would include a portrait of Senator Norris against a background of the TVA's Norris Dam.

Mr. Faries stated that *Deputy Postmaster General H. W. Brawley* was scheduled to show the design for the first time publicly on Wednesday, May 17th, at a luncheon meeting of the two-day George W. Norris National Centennial Conference at the Willard Hotel in Washington. Secretary of the Interior Stewart Udall was to be the luncheon speaker on May 16th; and Theodore C. Sorensen, President Kennedy's special counsel was to talk on "George Norris and the New Frontier" at a banquet Tuesday night, Mr. Faries reported. Mr. Sorensen knew Senator Norris as a boy in Nebraska, when his father was the Senator's campaign manager.

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Monthly 'Interpex Showcase' in New York

A MONTHLY "Showcase" will be held by the organizer of INTERPEX, *Herbert Rosen,* as an aftermath of the recent successful exhibition in New York. The first one will take place June 3, 10 A.M. to 10 P.M., at the Barbizon-Plaza Hotel, Central Park South, corner of Sixth Ave., New York, where future ones will also be held. There is no admission charge.

This special monthly event will feature an exhibit of about 30-40 frames, with emphasis each time on different themes. There will also be a 15-20 dealer booth bourse offering selected material. Mr. Rosen feels that these events will enable frequent meetings between collectors, one of the great problems of the New York area, where meeting places are hard to find and very expensive when found.

Mr. Rosen also announced that the 1962 INTERPEX will be held April 6-8, the same weekend the A.P.S. will hold its fifth spring meeting, this time in New York, as guests of the Bronx County Stamp Club and INTERPEX. Other leading societies are expected to participate as in the past. There have been 200 exhibition frames reserved for A.P.S. members.

The catalog number used in this issue for editorial and advertising matter, and catalog prices quoted in the advertisements are from Scott's Standard Postage Stamp Catalog unless specifically stated otherwise.

Apex

You note a new price here, a fantastic auction realization there, record highs everywhere—all commonplace in the philatelic market today. But where is the apex, the single highest point where all ascending prices converge under one roof? Don't bruit it about but the answer is: Third floor, 489 Fifth Avenue, New York. And the name on the door is (modestly) Robert A. Siegel.

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New and existing issues are supplied promptly against orders and in perfect condition. A minimum value for each order for each territory is prescribed but dealers are not required to order complete or short sets. The Bureau deals only with the trade and collectors may obtain the stamps from their usual dealers.

The Crown Agents also publish a monthly Stamp Bulletin containing announcements and illustrations of forthcoming new issues and other items of interest to both dealers and collectors. The Bulletin is available to anyone: the annual subscription is $1.40 surface mail, or $3.50 air mail.

Further information about the Bureau and the Bulletin may be obtained from the

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Ispex '61

JUDGES for the ISPEX '61 exhibition will be divided into two groups, but will act as a unit for the final judging. For the general exhibits the judges will be *John R. Boker, Jr., H.D.S. Haverbeck,* and *Winthrop S. Boggs,* all well known philatelists active in the Collectors Club of New York and other philatelic affairs. For the exhibits related to the Holy Land, the judges are *Dr. Moshe Hesky,* Philatelic Advisor to the Israel Ministry of Posts; *Salomon Handel,* an editor of the *Israel Philatelist* and authority on J.N.F. and Holy Land stamps; and another associate editor of *I.P., Emil Weitz,* historian and Holy Land specialist.

The exhibition takes place at the *New York Trade Show Building,* 35th *Street and 8th Ave., New York, N. Y.,* on Sunday, May 28 (12 Noon to 10 P.M.) Monday and Tuesday, the 29th and 30th (10 A.M. to 10 P.M.); Wednesday, May 31, (10 A.M. to 6 P. M.). More information appeared in our issue of May 13, 1961, which was devoted exclusively to this event.

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Union and Republic of South Africa Notes

AROUND October-November 1960 a 1d stamp was released, printed from cylinders 89A and 89B. While the 89A stamps were in the usual 240 stamps to the sheet format, the sheet from 89B had only 120 stamps, i.e., twenty rows of six stamps each. An examination of the stamp confirmed that it had been redrawn, as witness the position of the 1d value indication in relation to the wording below the value when compared with previous printings. Also, the whiskers under the jaw of the beast are quite different. This will probably become known as Die II and has already been listed by the *Commonwealth Catalogue.*

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In the competition the grand prize and A.P.S. Medal went to *Wallace W. Knox*, of Oakland, Calif., for his excellent showing of "Usage and Development of Envelopes" following the Penny Postage in 1840. The Philatelic Research Society trophy for the best research collection was won by *Mel C. Nathan*, of San Rafael, Calif., who showed "Ocean Mail to and from California." The *Germany Philatelic Society* medal was awarded to *M. C. Dillingham*, Menlo Park, Calif., for "Prussia 1850-1867." The A.T.A. Certificate for the best topical went to *Chris Norgard*, Los Angeles, for his display, "Olympic Games—a Postal History."

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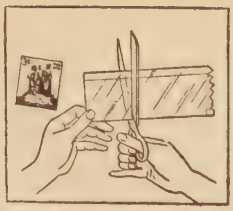

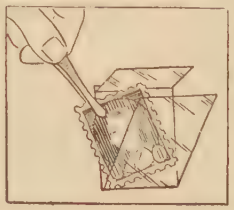

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The *Hong Kong Study Sircle* will hold its Annual General Meeting in England on May 31, 1961. An election of officers will be held after reports of the various committees have been given. The program for the coming season will also be announced.

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The 11th Annual *Federation of Iowa Stamp Clubs* Exhibition was held April 22-23, 1961, in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. The Grand Award and first award for Postal History went to *George Wolters,* Rock Island, for *Civil War Postal History.* Special awards were made as follows: American Topical Association to *Gertrude Lemley,* Des Moines, Society of Philatelic Americans to *Bernice Safris,* Des Moines, American Philatelic Society to the *Rev. Elwood Poore,* Ocheydan, Trans-Mississippi Philatelic to *Woodrow W. Westholm,* Des Moines, U. S. Cancellation Club to *James Wilson,* Solon, and Sahlstrom Award Trophy of Federation of Iowa Stamp Clubs as well as first in Miscellaneous to *Donald Best,* Sioux City. First award ribbons were won by *Byron Bell,* Cedar Rapids, *Mason Curran,* Elmhurst, *Gertrude Lemley,* Des Moines, and *James Coverdale,* Waterloo.

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After a long bus ride from Bombay in the company of the Jayanti Celebrations Committee, we reached Junnar in the middle of the night. We found the town full of enthusiasm on the eve of the Jayanti. We had to get ready early in the morning to climb the hill and participate in the ceremonies at the top of the Shivneri Fort, the birth place of *Shivaji Maharaj.* A temporary post office was set up with all the necessary equipment to handle the first day sale. The temporary post office was equipped to handle money orders, registered letters, etc., as well as direct sales at the spot.

Shri Raj Bahadur, inaugurating the sale, said that it was a happy occasion for the Government to issue a stamp honoring India's great Son. He referred to various other issues of postage stamps since India's Independence, and paid glowing tribute to *Shivaji Maharaj.*

Shri D. S. Desai thanked the Union Government for acceding to their request for the issue of this commemorative stamp. Earlier, the Postmaster General, *Shri Ramkrishna,* welcomed the guests and spoke of various issues of postage stamps issued by the Indian Postal Department since Independence. *Shri Silam,* Speaker of the Assembly, also addressed the gathering.

The ceremony began at the fort with a traditional birthday celebration and songs. Special publicity folders were distributed by the postal department. The first day cancellation used at Shivneri was slightly different from the one used at other philatelic bureaus in the country in that the date, *Akshya Trutiya,* appeared in Hindi. Two and a half million stamps have been printed.

The first day sale of stamps high up in the hills, which Shivaji made his home, was unusual. The collector had to climb to the hilltop to buy the special first day cover at the place where the sale was inaugurated. My visit to Shivneri was made possible by the Director of Publicity, Bombay. *Shri V. N. Adarker,* a member of the Philatelic Advisory Committee, also attended. The postal officials who came down to supervise the arrangements included *Sarvashri T. R. Shankran,* Director of Postal Services, Maharashtra Circle.

DHIRUBHAI MEHTA

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Oct. 27-29—SOJEX 1961 will be held at Hotel Jefferson, Kentucky Avenue, Atlantic City, N.J. Exhibit of 288 frames and dealers' bourse. Prospectus available from *Henry Dembinski,* 116 *Drexel Avenue, Atlantic City, N. J.*

Oct. 27-29—31st Anniversary Exhibition of *Reading Stamp Collectors Club* will be held at Reading Company YMCA, 6th and Oley Streets, Reading, Pa. Admission free. Prospectus available from *Cedric R. Haring,* 300 *N. 6th Street, Reading, Pa.*

Oct. 28-29—New Hampshire Tri-State Collectors' Exhibition Inc., to hold 6th Annual Exhibition at Masonic Hall, Concord, N.H. Further information from *Marguerite A. Finch, Box* 83, *Henniker, N.H.*

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A Minneapolis dealer, William O. Bilden, paid the top price of $5,600 for a cover with a total franking of $1.32 (six times the 22-cent rate), consisting of five singles of the 24c of 1869 and a 12c. This cover had two strikes of the Port Chester, N. Y., postmark in black, a faint red New York postmark and, on the back, a double strike of the Lima receiving mark. It was described as "possibly unique."

Mr. Bilden, who attended the sale, also paid $1,100 for an 1869 cover with one 24c and a pair of the 10c yellow.

Two of the 1869 covers brought $2,000 apiece. One of these, which was sold to Ezra Cole, carried a 24c, 12c, 6c and 2c.

In the "Bank Notes only" group, the highest price of $270 was paid for a cover with the 24c purple, 12c dull violet, 6c carmine and 2c grilled.

A well-centered, but slightly creased, U. S. 24c airmail with inverted center was sold for $7,250 (catalog $7,000) to the Nicolas Sanabria Co.

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Railway Post Office Handbook

A HANDBOOK of U. S. Railway Post Office routes has been published by National Highway Post Office Society. It contains information on 262 RPO routes and 1048 RPO trains operating in the United States as of January 1, 1961. It lists all RPO routes in alphabetical order, with mileage, name of carrier, train numbers, terminals of each train, and the direction of operation.

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Typeset and Electrotype Precancels

THROUGHOUT the pages of the *Official Precancel Stamp Catalog* frequent reference is made to city types as being "typeset". This term is likely to be confusing to the beginner, because most of the "printed" precancels have the appearance of having been printed directly from type. Some of the early precancels were typeset products. Nowadays, although other methods of producing precancels have almost entirely replaced the typeset, an occasional new type makes its appearance.

For a thorough understanding of the difference between a "typeset" and a precancel produced from an electroype plate, it is necessary to consider a few facts in connection with typesetting, electrotyping, and printing. Usually recourse is had to the use of electrotypes when large runs are necessary. Ordinary type would not stand the wear and tear of quantity production. On the other hand, short runs would hardly justify the expense of having electrotypes made.

No matter what the method of production is to be, usually the first step is to set up in type the words that are to be printed. The number of subjects is variable. It may be as many as 100, or it may be 50, or only 25. In other cases it may be less, but practically always the number is a multiple of five.

If the start is made with five typeset subjects, the next step is to make five electrotypes (or stereotypes) from the original type. This results in five matched lines. We now have 25 (5x5) subjects, and four electrotypes of this size could be used to build up a plate of 100 subjects for precancelling a pane of ordinary stamps. It will be noted that if an error should be made in the original typesetting, and if this should not be detected and corrected, the error will be repeated regularly in the plate, the number of errors depending on the manner in which the 100-subject plate was built up.

If a pane of 100 stamps is precanceled with two 50-subject plates, each of which contains one error, there will be two errors in the pane.

(For example, MIKWAUKEE error).

If the start was made from a row of ten subjects, one of which contained an error, then there will be ten errors in a pane of 100 stamps, one in each row, the first, the fifth, or the tenth, as the case may be. (For example Akron Ohio, type 9.) The error may be a misspelled word, a missing period, or some other error of punctuation.

Type 4 of Jeanette, Pa., is Universal style 10, and is found with the period missing after Pa. on some subjects. Then there are at least two cities that have electros showing an error in every subject of their Universal Style 10 plates—Canajoharie, N. Y., and Berkeley, Calif. In each case the error consists of a comma instead of a period after the abbreviation of the state name. This occurrence suggests that these plates may have been made from single master subjects and that each one contained an error.

Type 9 of Akron, Ohio, is the product of an electrotype plate, in which the left vertical row of ten subjects (as printed) shows a figure 1 instead of the letter I in Ohio. In this case one stamp in every ten is an error, and roughly about 50 percent of the errors show a straight edge at the left.

(To be continued)

Edgar B. Jessup

ONE of philately's most important students, *Edgar B. Jessup,* died in St. Francis Hospital in San Francisco on May 11, 1961, after a long illness. He was 71.

Mr. Jessup was particularly interested in the history of California, and was a member of the California Historical Society. He wrote on early California Historical Philately, and his collections were consistent winners at exhibitions. Besides early California philately, his specialty was general U. S. from early years to date.

Mr. Jessup was the former president and general manager of Marchant Calculators, Inc., an Oakland firm he had headed since 1933. He developed the small firm into a forty million dollar industry, and merged with Smith Corona, Inc., in 1958. He was also a member of the board of directors of the United California Bank, the Soule Steel Co. of San Francisco, and the Western Die Casting Co. of Oakland.

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ALBANIA—Four stamps were issued on April 28, 1961, with designs showing national costumes: 1 L., L. 1.50, 6 L. and 11 L.

—*Stamp Collecting, London*

ARGENTINA—On May 13, 1961, a 2 pesos Rabindranath Tagore commemorative was issued as reported here on May 20, 1961. Our thanks to *Maurice Yastremiz,* Buenos Aires, for a first day cover with this issue.

AUSTRIA—The 5s stamp reported here May 13, 1961, was issued on the occasion of the LUPOSTA 1961 exhibition in Vienna, and commemorates the 43rd anniversary of Austrian Air Mail. The stamp depicts the first Austrian mail plane which made its initial flight on March 31, 1918.

— *Edwin Mueller*
Austrian Information Service

AUSTRIA—Our thanks to *Gustav Th. Schlesinger,* Graz, for a first day cover dated May 8, 1961, with the 1.50s stamp issued to commemorate the Austrian fight for freedom (reported May 13, 1961).

BAHRAIN—A set of stamps for internal use was issued on April 15, 1961: 5p. yellow-green, 10p. carmine, 15p. gray, 20p. Prussian blue, 30p. sepia, 40p. ultramarine. The stamps weres recess-printed by De La Rue in sheets of 100, and the De La Rue imprint appears in

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BULGARIA—Our thanks to *C. Pantofchiev,* Sofia, for a first day cover dated April 27, 1961, with a 1 Lv. portrait stamp. According to information supplied by *J. & H. Stolow,* New York, this stamp marks the centenary of the Ukrainian poet *Shevshenko.*

CYPRUS—A 16-value Tourism set for regular postal use is being prepared for release during the end of 1961.

—*Pierson Ostrow*

CZECHOSLOVAKIA—On April 24, 1961, a three-value set was issued to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Prague Conservatory of Music (reported May 20, 1961). These 20h, 30h, and 60h stamps were designed by *Prof. Karel Svolinsky* and engraved by *Ladislav Jirka.* All of them bear the inscription "150th Anniversary of Prague Conservatoire" and are decorated with a twig of laurel. They were printed by rotary recess in the Post Printing Office, Prague, in sheets of fifty. —*Artia*

FRANCE—We are advised by the *Ministry of Posts* that the O.20NF stamp picturing the town of Bagnoles-de-L'Orne (reported May 20, 1961) was issued on May 6, 1961, at Bagnoles-de-L'Orne, and placed on general sale on May 8, 1961. The stamp was designed and engraved by *Combet,* printed in sheets of fifty, perf 13. Our thanks to *Pierre A. Cubells,* Soisson, for a first day cover dated May 6, 1961, with this issue.

We are also advised by the *Ministry of Posts* that the O.50NF stamp honoring the World Federation of War Veterans (reported May 20, 1961) was issued in Paris on May 6, 1961, and placed on general sale on May 8, 1961. The stamp was designed and engraved by *Combet,* printed in sheets of fifty, perf. 13.

GERMANY (WEST BERLIN)—On June 3, 1961, a 20pf portrait stamp will be issued to honor Louise Schroeder. *Louise Schroeder* (1887-1957) was acting Mayor of West Berlin from 1946 to 1951. She presided over the city government during the historic Berlin Airlift crisis. The stamp was designed by *R. Gerhardt* and engraved by *E. Falz,* of West Berlin. It was printed at the Bundesdruckerei on fluorescent paper watermarked DBP, in sheets of fifty, edition four million.

—*World Wide Philatelic Agency, Inc.*

GRENADA—The Postal Centenary commemorative issue (forecast April 29, 1961) will be issued on June 1, 1961, in values of 3 cents, 8c and 25c. The stamps are being printed by *Harrison & Sons Ltd.,* by photogravure, in sheets of fifty. They will illustrate the development of the postal services through the century. Each stamp bears the portraits of Queen Victoria and Queen Elizabeth II, the reproduction of Queen Victoria having been taken from a portrait hanging in Government House, Grenada.

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HONG KONG—*Harrison & Sons Ltd.*, are preparing a special issue of stamps to commemorate the Golden Jubilee of Hong Kong University.

—*Crown Agents Stamp Bulletin*

HUNGARY—Our thanks to *Magyar Belyegyujtok Orszigos Szovetsege* for first day covers as follows: One dated April 25, 1961, with the 1ft and 2ft stamps issued to commemorate the first space flight; one with the 1ft and 2ft stamps released April 29, 1961, to commemorate the first of May. These stamps were reported here May 20, 1961.

INDIA—On May 6, 1961, a 15nP commemorative was issued for *Motilal Nehru* (reported May 13, 1961). The stamps were printed by photogravure by the India Security Press on all over multiple Ashoka Capital watermarked paper, in sheets of forty two, perf 14, edition 2,500,000.

The 15nP Tagore commemorative (reported May 13, 1961) was issued on May 7, 1961. The stamps were printed by photogravure by the India Security Press on all over Ashoka Capital watermarked paper, in sheets of thirty five, perf. 13, edition 2,500,000.

Our thanks to the following for information, mint stamps, and first day covers with these issues: *S. Sohan Singh Chowdery*, New Delhi, *Solee D. Sukheswala, Dhirubhai Mehta, N. D. Cooper*, Bombay, and *Mohinder Gulati*, Calcutta, India.

Dhirubhai Mehta advises that stamps may be issued in October or November 1961 for the International Film Festival, and a commemorative may be released in December 1961 for the birth centenary of *Pandit Madan Mohan Malavia.*

ISRAEL—On June 14, 1961, part two of the airmail series of 1960 will be released. The stamps were designed by *Friedel Stern* and will appear in the following denominations and designs: 1L O.25 Tower and Boat at Akko, 1L O.30 View of Haifa from Mount Carmel, and 1L O.35 Ancient Synagogue at Capernaum. The post office sheet consists of twenty stamps, with five descriptive tabs on the Airmail Series; part two, adjacent to the bottom row.

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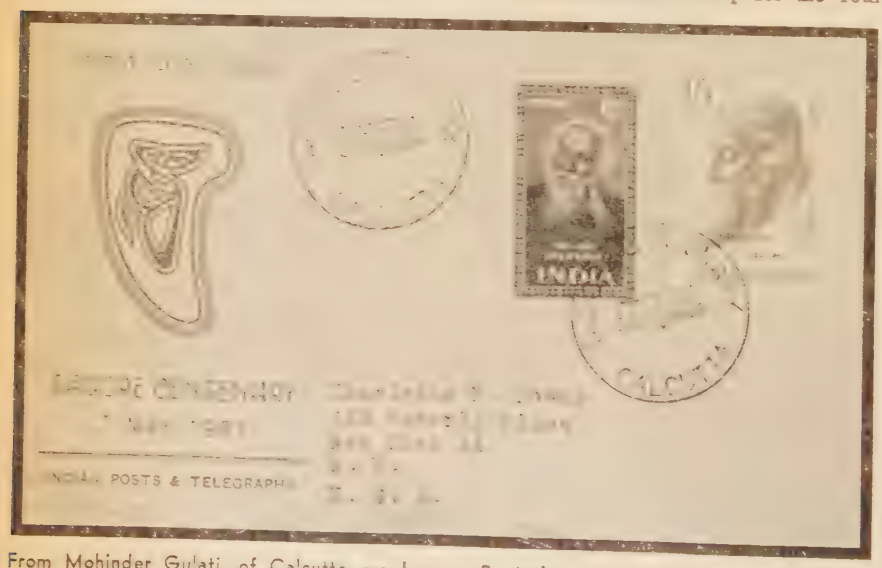

From Mohinder Gulati, of Calcutta, we have a firsst day cover with India's new Tagore stamp, to which she has added the one of 1952 issued in his honor. Several other of our Indian friends had the same idea in preparing the covers we received, and which are acknowledged in this week's new issues.

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Anniversary of the State of Israel Bond Campaign will also be issued on June 14, 1961. Designed by *M. and G. Shamir,* this 1L 0.50 stamp shows a figure 10 surrounded by lines of scaffolding, pointing to a bright sky overhead. It was printed on unwatermarked paper. The post office sheet consists of fifteen stamps arranged in three horizontal rows, with five tabs adjacent to the bottom.

—Israel Philatelic Agency in America, Inc.

KOREA (SOUTH) — On May 10, 1961, a 40 Hwan stamp was issued to commemorate the 15th anniversary of the Girl Scouts of Korea (reported May 13, 1961); on May 6, 1961, a 40 Hwan stamp was issued for the Inter-Regional Community Development Conference (reported May 20, 1961). Our thanks to the following for information, mint stamps, and first day covers: *Ministry of Communications, Seoul Stamp Service, Inc., World Stamp Co.,* and *William J. Rhee,* of Seoul.

KUWAIT — Through the courtesy of *R. E. Andrews,* of the Kuwait International Stamp Society, Kuwait, Arabia, we have received a first day cover dated May 8, 1961, with the 35 Fils stamp showing the Shuwaikh Secondary School and a portrait of the Sheik of Kuwait. *Mr. Andrews* reports that fourteen stamps were issued on April 1, 1961; the 75 Fils and 90 Fils stamps were released on April 27, 1961, without advance notice. The 75 Fils shows an offshore oil drill rig with a dhow in the foreground and the 90 Fils shows the Shuwaikh Secondary School. The portrait of the Sheik appears on the stamps. The 50 Fils value of this series still remains to be released. These definitives, which are being introduced in connection with the currency change, were forecast here on April 29, 1961.

LAOS—Our thanks to *A. D. Kerr,* of Luangprabang, for mint stamps and a first day cover dated April 29, 1961, with the four commemoratives for the funeral of the late King Sisavang Vong. These 4k, 6.50k, 9k, and 25k stamps were reported here April 15, 1961, and were the subject of an article which appeared on pg. 216 in the issue of May 6, 1961.

LEBANON—We are indebted to *K. Yeghparian,* of Beirut, for a first day cover dated May 5, 1961, with the 20p, 30p and 50p stamps issued to honor the 15th anniversary of the United Nations as forecast here on April 29, 1961.

MONGOLIA — We have received a first day cover dated April 19, 1961, with 30 m. and 50 m. stamps which were issued in honor of the late Patrice Lumumba showing his portrait, signature, and the dates 1926-1961.

NETHERLANDS—The summer semi-postal set (reported May 13, 1961) was released on April 24, 1961, in denominations of 4+4 c., 6+4 c., 8+4 c. and 12+8 c. Our thanks to the *Netherlands PTT* and *Dr. J. H. Van Peursem* for stamps and a first day cover.

NETHERLANDS NEW GUINEA Through the courtesy of the *Netherlands PTT* we have received copies of the two stamps issued on April 5, 1961, to commemorate the opening of the New Guinea Council. These 25c and 30c stamps were fully described here on February 25, 1961.

POLAND—Our thanks to *E. D. Androchowicz,* Wroclaw, for mint stamps and a first day cover dated May 12, 1961, with the two additional values of the Polish Cities and Towns series (forecast April 22, 1961). The 60gr shows the town of Tczew and the 90 gr Torun.

SAN MARINO—The hunting series, showing hunting customs of the 16th to 18th centuries, was released on May 4, 1961, in the following values and designs: 1L Hunting a roe-buck, 2L Falconer, 3L Hunting the wild boar, 4L Water hunt with crossbow, 5L Stag hunt,

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San Marino is preparing six mountain-climbing stamps and a new 1000 lire airmail which will feature a helicopter. —*Pierson Ostrow*

SENEGAL—A 25f. stamp, designed and engraved by *Gandon,* was released on April 4, 1961, for the Independence Festival. The design shows a symbol of the Republic holding an infant with olive branch.

New definitives showing sports, and airmails with bird designs are in preparation.

—*Stamp Collecting, London*

SEYCHELLES—A set of stamps is being prepared by *Bradbury, Wilkinson & Co. Ltd.,* to commemorate the centenary of the opening of the first Post Office in Seychelles.

—*Crown Agents Stamp Bulletin*

SOUTH AFRICA—On May 31, 1961, the post offices will be open for one hour only. In addition to the Republic definitives (reported April 29, 1961) which will be issued on that date, six postage dues will be released in values of 1c, 2c, 4c, 5c, 6c and 10c; the designs will be the same as the present decimal Union issues, but the words "South Africa" will be replaced by "Republic of South Africa." There will be a similar change of wording on the postal stationery.

No commemorative will be issued to celebrate the founding of the Republic on May 31, 1961.

—*C. E. Sherwood*

SWEDEN—On June 2, 1961, two stamps (15 ore and 90 ore) will be issued to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the death of *Jonas Alstromer,* one of the founders of the Swedish Academy of Science. The stamps, which have been designed by *Nisse Zetterberg* and engraved by *Czeslaw,* show his portrait. The stamps are available in coils of 100 stamps, and the 15 ore stamp also in booklets containing 20 stamps.

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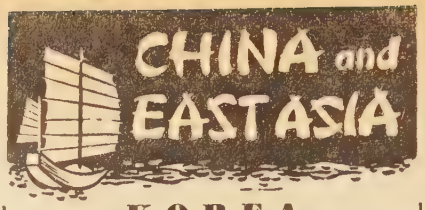

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UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC (EGYPT)—On May 15, 1961 a 10 mills green stamp was issued to commemorate Palestine Day. The design, by *Mohamed Badr Bahgat,* shows a woman and a child behind barbed wire, gazing towards their former homeland of thirteen years ago. A map of Palestine appears in the foreground. The stamps were printed by photogravure at the Survey of Egypt, in sheets of 50, perf. 13x13½, edition two million.

A Palestine commemorative was released under the same date with the same value and design, in violet color, edition 400,000.

—Postmaster General

VIET NAM (NORTH)—Our thanks to the *Xunhasaba Information Bureau* for stamp copies and information on the following issues:

On January 3, 1961, a military stamp bearing no denomination was released for army mail. The design by *Nguyen van Khanh,* shows a frontier guard on horseback. It was printed by offset by the *Tien bo State Printing Works* on paper without gum, in sheets of 100, perf. 11.

On February 10, 1961, a 12xu commemorative was issued for the Second Congress of Trade Unions of the DRV. Designed by *Nguyen van Khanh,* it was printed by offset by the *Tien bo State Printing Works* on paper without gum, in sheets of 100, perf. 11, edition 1,500,000.

On March 8, two stamps (6 xu and 12 xu) were issued for the Third National Congress of Vietnamese Women. The design, by *Quoc Thu,* shows three women, a globe, and a dove of peace. They were printed by offset by the *Tien bo State Printing Works* on paper without gum, in sheets of 100, perf. 11, edition 500,000.

On March 8, 1961, a four-value animal set was released as follows: 12 xu Hart, 20 xu Malayan Bear, 50 xu Elephant, and 1 dong Black Gibbon. The stamps, designed by *Quoc Thu* and *The Vinh* were printed by offset by the *Tien bo State Printing Works* on paper without gum, in sheets of 100, perf. 11, editions 300,000 perforated sets and 1,200 imperforated sets.

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The Civil War Centennial Medal is being distributed close to Memorial Day as Memorial Day was started in 1868 and is celebrated in the North on May 30 and in the South on April 26, May 10, or June 3.

The 2½ inch medal will be available in bronze at $4.00 and there will also be 25,000 serially numbered silver medals at $30.00. It is issued under the authority of the Civil War Centennial Commission, which was created by an act of Congress; Karl S. Betts is executive director.

On one side of the medal are portraits of General Ulysses S. Grant and Robert E. Lee with the quotations "Let Us Have Peace" and "Consciousness of Duty Faithfully Performed." The reverse side contains the Seal of the Civil War Centennial Commission.

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The approval of the designs and of the sculptor's models was made by the *Fine Arts Committee of the Civil War Centennial Commissioin* headed by *Eric Gugler*, distinguished architect; *Paul Manship, Walker Hancock, Lee Lawrie*, and *Mrs. William Penn Cresson*, distinguished American sculptors. The designs were also approved by the Fine Arts Commission, Washington, D. C.

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Owing to the increase in air letter sheet rate the United Nations Postal Administration will issue a new one on or about July 1, 1961, with a face value of 11 cents. The exact date will be announced later. The 10c air letter sheet supply is practically exhausted as of now, the U.N. Postal Administration advises.

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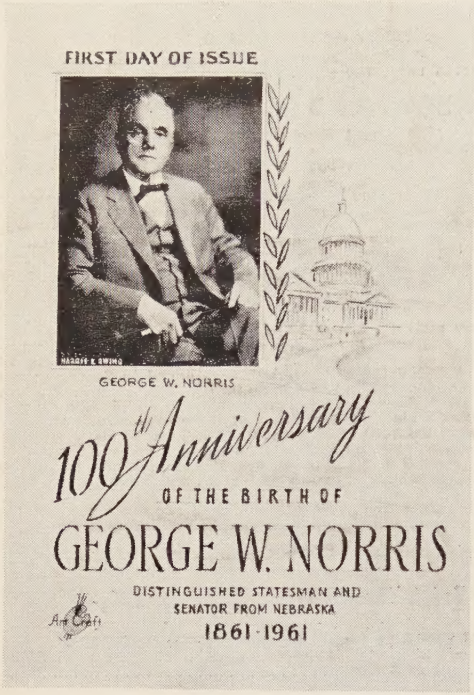

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